

Docket No.: C10690/112483



RESPONSE UNDER  
37 CFR 1.116

EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

EXAMINING GROUP 1641

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of :

Berend HOUWEN, *et al.*

Serial No.: 09/388,899

Filed: September 2, 1999

For: **METHOD FOR CLASSIFYING AND  
COUNTING LEUKOCYTES**

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New York, New York  
October 31, 2001

**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO RULE 116,  
INCLUDING AMENDMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

The three-month shortened statutory time period for response to the Final Office Action mailed on July 31, 2001 expires on October 31, 2001. A response filed on or before this date is timely, with a properly executed certificate of mailing. 37 C.F.R. §§1.8; and 1.136.

Applicants believe this Response occasions no fee, however, should one become necessary, the Examiner is directed to please charge any fees to Deposit Account No. 02-4467.

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